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SOURCE * Paragraphs 1,2: Through established channels from a reliable source, from informants associated with Hajj Amin al-Husayni.
Paragraph 3 : An Arab journalist in Beirut from an informant who is a Pan-Islamic leader.

1. The intention of Hajj Amin al-Husayni, ex-Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, to preside over a congress of Palestinian refugees in Lebanon was frustrated by the refusal of the Lebanese Government to permit the holding of such a congress. However, during his 23-26 March 1952 visit to Lebanon al-Husayni did receive some thirty delegates from the refugees. He told them that President Rihabah al-Khuri and Prime Minister Sami al-Sulh had agreed to relax their pressure for Syrian acceptance of the refugees now in Lebanon.
2. Al-Husayni is actively opposed to the transfer of the refugees from Lebanon to Syria. He believes this to be a Christian maneuver to maintain Christian numerical supremacy in Lebanon, and he claims to have succeeded in securing a promise from the Syrian Government not to accept these refugees.
- P-6 3. The Pakistani plan for a Moslem Arab-Asiatic bloc proposes to revive the Caliphate with the ex-Grand Mufti as Pakistan's candidate for Caliph (he is now receiving one thousand Egyptian pounds monthly from the Government of Pakistan).

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